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More than 17 months have passed since the filing of the above-referenced application, i.e., July 15, 2003. No communication has been received from the Patent Office indicating action on this application. Kindly advise the undersigned of the present status of this application.

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